

**REPORT/RECOMMENDATION TO THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS  
OF SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY, CALIFORNIA  
AND RECORD OF ACTION**

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**June 24, 2003**

**FROM: THOMAS R. LAURIN, DIRECTOR  
DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMIC AND COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT**

**SUBJECT: CONTRACT WITH HOUSE OF RUTH, INC., TO PROVIDE DOMESTIC  
VIOLENCE SHELTER SERVICES**

**RECOMMENDATION:** Approve contract with House of Ruth, Inc., a non-profit agency, in the amount of \$39,000, to provide shelter and support services to victims of domestic violence and their children residing in unincorporated areas of the Second and Fourth Supervisorial Districts and in the City of Montclair for the period of July 1, 2003 through June 30, 2004.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION:** Each year the County receives an entitlement grant under the Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) program to allow the funding of activities that benefit low-and moderate-income persons. During the preparation of the County's annual CDBG program application, interested groups, including community-based organizations, submit applications to receive funding for specific projects. After an initial evaluation by ECD staff concerning CDBG program eligibility, project proposals are submitted to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) in the form of an annual CDBG Action Plan under the County's five-year Consolidated Plan.

As part of the County's Consolidated Plan for FY 2003-2004, the Board of Supervisors allocated \$39,000 in CDBG funds to House of Ruth, Inc. House of Ruth will provide shelter and support services to victims of domestic violence who reside in the County CDBG areas of the Second and Fourth Supervisorial Districts and the City of Montclair. The contract specifies the terms and assurances necessary for compliance with County requirements and CDBG program regulations.

**REVIEW BY OTHERS:** This contract was reviewed by the Department of Economic and Community Development's Contract Compliance Designee, David Larsen on June 10, 2003; and the Deputy County Counsel, Michelle D. Blakemore, on June 13, 2003; and the County Administrative Office, Patricia M. Cole, Administrative Analyst III on June 15, 2003.

**COST REDUCTION REVIEW:** The County Administrative Office has reviewed this agenda item and concurs with the department's proposal and recommends this action based on this contract is fully funded by CDBG federal funds for fiscal year 2003/04.

**FINANCIAL IMPACT:** CDBG funds in the amount of \$39,000 have been allocated for this project and were budgeted in the Department's FY 2003-2004 Budget (SBA-ECD-ECD). This action has no effect on the County General Fund.

**SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT(S):** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>.

**PRESENTER:** Thomas R. Laurin, Director, 388-0808.

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